A Decision by Land Commissioner Lam oreux Which Throws the Ownership of 69,000 Acres in the Upper Peninsula in Doubt.

IRON COMPANIES AFFECTED. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10 .- Commissioner Lamoreux of the general land office, after examining into the question of approvals of land grants in the upper peninsula of Michigan to the Portage Lake & Lake Superior Ship Canal company, has decided that nearly 69,000 acres of land were erroneously approved to that company in 1868. These lands were listed as "mineral" prior to the act making the grant to the company. As the granting act expressly excluded from its terms lands which had formerly been classed as "mineral," Commissioner Lamoreux holds that the approval was without authority of law. He recommends to Secretary Smith that suit be instituted to set aside the title of the company.

DETROIT. March 10 .- A decision of Land Commissioner Lamoreux in Washington is of great importance to various corporations which have acquired immense holdings of lands in the upper peninsula of Michigan. The decision calls into question the title of upwards of \$50,000,000 worth of land held by the Portage Lake & Lake Superior Ship Canal company. The company secured the grant as a bonus for constructing the canal across Keweenaw point, which it afterwards sold to the government. The act under which the grant was made expressly excluded any lands classed as mineral. In making its selections, however, the company seems to bave ignored this proviso and to have taken lands distinctly classified as mineral. Some 69,000 acres are affected by Commissioner Lamoreux's decision. Holdings of the Michigan Land & Iron company and other corporations are also being investigated. The titles of most of the iron mines developed in recent years are affected by the prospective contest.

# SWINDLED OUT OF \$75,000.

Startling Mismanagement of the Michigan Mortgage Company.

Johns, March 10. - Developments prove that the transactions of the Michigan Mortgage company, which recently assigned, covered some remarkable financial mismanagement. About \$70,000 of the liabilities of the company consists of money paid by mortgagors who supposed that their mortgages had been discharged, when in fact they were not discharged, neither was the money so received turned over to the mortgagees. S. S. Walker, chairman of the board of directors, admits that \$75,000 was received and not accounted for. Mr. Walker admitted that it was a fraud for which the officers of the company would be held responsible. Still he thought they could pay back the money if given a chance.

#### WHEAT IN FAIR CONDITION. Michigan Report Says Forty Per Cent. of the Points Report Damage.

LANSING, March 9.-- The Michigan crop report for January issued Thursday is rather noncommittal on the condition of growing wheat. It says that 40 per cent, of the correspondents report damage during February and that 60 per cent, report no damage. The weather for the month was continuously cold. At Lansing the mean daily temperature was above the freezing point but seven days. The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed in February was 1,035,127; in the seven months, August to February inclusive, 10,285,-039 bushels, or about one-quarter of a million bushels less than during the same months last year. The condition of live stock averages from four to seven points below the full average.

# Will Stick to Their Offices.

GRAND RAPIDS, March 10 .- Ex-Senator Wesselius, one of the attorneys for the indicted officials, whom Gov. Rich has sought to remove from office, declares that Secretary of State Jochim, Treasurer Hambitzer and Land Commissioner Berry will surely serve out their terms unless convicted of criminal offenses as the result of the grand jury indictments. The power of the governor to remove is now under review by the state supreme court, and if the decision is against the officials the case will be taken to the United States supreme court, where it would be hung up until long after their terms of office had expired.

# Captured.

MARSHALL, March 11.-Joseph S. Brooks, the clothier who failed for over \$20,000 in December last and disappeared, has been captured at the home of his father-in-law, in this city. The failure, it is alleged, was a crooked one, and charges of gross fraud, such as smuggling away goods, were made. The officers had watched Brooks' father-in-law's house all the week.

# A Lumber Company's Loss.

CLAIRE, March 12.- The entire plant and stock of the Lansing Lumber company at Dodge burned Saturday afternoon. The loss is about \$175,000, believed to be covered by insurance. The fire started by the upsetting of a torch in the shingle mill. Forty acres of lumber piles were consumed. Neither of the mills was running.

# Another Big Claim for Logs.

TRAVERSE CITY, March 12.-Frank Goodrich has brought a claim for \$1,50) against the Traverse City Lumber company for logs. This involves C. A. Barker still more. The total amount of attachments on the company at this | Markle was justifiable. place now reaches \$32,100.

# No Ice in the Straits.

heavy wind drove the ice out.

# SHORT BUT NEWSY.

Interesting Information from Many Points In the State. Navigation is open on the St. Clair

There is a deficit of \$15,000 in Escan-

aba's treasury. Manistee has a wholesale drug company with a capital of \$50,000.

Port Huron's proposed municipal telephone system has been dropped. John Hulste, a pioneer of Michigan,

died at Holland at the age of 63 years. Kalamazoo ice-dealers harvested a total of about 50,000 tons of ice during the winter.

White lake is open and clear of ice, which is the earliest opening known in twenty years.

sanitary science at the Lansing Agricultural college. Twenty-one Allegan saloonkeepers

It is proposed to institute a chair of

announce their intention of going out of business May 1. At South Haven April 8 and 4 will be

held the Van Buren county Sunday school convention. The Woman's hospital at Saginaw is

the recipient of a gift of \$3,000 from W. R. Burt, of that city. Richard Dawson, a prominent young business man of Pontiac, recently hung

himself because of business troubles. James Donavon, an inmate of the asylum for dangerous and insane criminals at Ionia, recently made his escape. Recently the body of Frederick Swan, an insurance solicitor, aged 80 years, was found floating in the river near

Detroit.

Although March is usually the best month for logging around Menominee, the recent warm weather has caused operations to be practically suspended. In Ann Arbor a few days ago two brothers were sentenced on the same dry. One was given twenty years for assault with intent to kill and the other four years for grand larceny.

#### POSTMASTER BOYCOTTED. Montague Business Men Carry Their Mail to the Train.

MUSKEGON, March 9. -William Peck, recently appointed postmaster at Montague, took possession Wednesday and a merry war commenced. Montague is a fourth-class office, with receipts of about \$1,200, and the opposition proposes to cut these down. A business collection has been instituted and the mails are then sent to the train, the postmaster losing the cancellation. The feeling is very bitter. Peck is the referee postmaster whose appointment was one of the immediate causes leading up to the passage by the Muskegon convention of

resolutions condemning referecism.

Postmaster Peck won one decided

victory when he succeeded in stopping the mail agent on the train from receiving the mail brought by the collector acting in the interests of those who are boycotting the new postmaster. The collector accordingly took the mail across the river to the town of Whitehall, where he succeeded in leaving it with the mail agent on the train. Mr. Peck went across the river also and again forbade the agent from receiving any more Montague mail. The agent says he will not take any more. The boycotters declare they will send their mail to the Whitehall office and avow their determination to keep up the fight to the bitter end.

# A MYSTERY IN DETROIT.

An Old Lady Found Dead if Her Bed-Poison Strewed Around.

DETROIT, March 12. - Mrs. Annie Fight, aged 60 years, went to bed in good health Saturday night. Sunday morning she was found dead in bed from the effects of a dose of paris green. By whom the drug was administered the police are un-able to learn. Her son-in-law, John Schmick, for whom she kept feet deep, and he estimates it will cost house, refuses to say a word concerning the affair, and has placed the seal of silence on every one else in the house. Paris green has been found scattered over the floor and bed in Mrs. Fight's room. No reason is known why she should have committed suicide. ficers are at work trying to probe the mystery.

# City Treasurer's Accounts Short.

WYANDOTTE, March 10 - City Treasurer Theodore Megges is being investigated by a council committee on the charge made by Mayor Clark that Megges is \$700 or more short in his accounts. The mayor has found various shortages in the treasurer's accounts, but it is thought they are the result of bad bookkeeping and careless business methods rather than any intent to defraud.

# Prof. Emil Bauer Dead.

ANN ARBOR, March 10.-Prof. Emil Bauer, one of Washtenaw county's most prominent fruit growers and agent of the Huron county lands of the Economy society, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was on Thursday found dead in his woodshed. He suffered from heart disease and effects of the grip. He was 64 years old and leaves a wife and seven

# Deaf-Mutes Married.

GRAND RAPIDS, March 8 .- Frank H. Flint, of the Sunfield News, and Miss Lizzie Lothschlinz were married at St. Mark's chapel Wednesday. Both are deaf-mutes and the ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Mann, the denfmute missionary. The service was unique and impressive, all in the sign

#### language. Court Dismisses a Murder Trial.

BAY CITY, March 8 -Judge Maxwell did an unprecedented thing by taking the murder case of William Sweeny from the jury and directing a verdict of not guilty before all of the witnesses of the prosecution had been sworn. He concinded the stabbing of John

# Suicide at a Logging Camp.

MENOMINEE. March 11.-John Lar-CHEBOYGAN, March 12.-The straits son, aged 20 years, shot himself through are clear of ice as far as the eye can the head Friday morning at a cedar \$500 bonds for attempting to hire a see. This is one of the earliest open- logging camp, near this city. Despond- man for \$50 to burn the home of A. ings of navigation on record. The ency caused by sickness is assigned as Getz, a farmer living 2 miles out of

# BELIEVE GREGORY INSANE.

Result of a Physician's Examination at

Dexter Supports This Theory. DEXTER, March 9.—The all-absorbing question here is as to whether or not Assistant Cashier Orla C. Gregory, who robbed fhe Dexter savings bank of over \$3,000 and then laid the crime to an alleged pair of sandbagging crooks, is insane. There is no doubt he is in a state approaching nervous prostration, and the feeling is growing among the people that his apparent mental infirmity is real and not feigned. There is a still larger contingent who believe he is playing a game not only to escape legal punish-ment but to save himself from losing "Angels hasn't any sport in 'em," said Willis, as the snow fell softly on the lawns. "If they had, 'stead o' sendin' snow down in flakes, they'd make balls of it an' have some fun,"—Harper's Bazar. the good opinion of his relatives and friends.

Dr. Vaughan, an insanity expert from the university, was here Thursday morning and was with Gregory several hours. The result of his investigations cannot be definitely known, as neither the doctor nor the Gregorys will say a word, but the results tell the story nearly as well. Before the doctor came the boy's father was anxious to reach a settlement with the bank, and at his solicitation the bank directors made a proposition looking to that end. With the doctor's report in hand all was changed, and the proposition was promptly withdrawn. It is therefore believed Dr. Vaughan has decided that young Gregory is insane, and if the bank people decide to prosecute they will be met with a plea of insanity. The bank has not yet decided whether to prosecute or not. President Burkett has gone to New Orleans on a ten days' trip and nothing will be done during as usual."—Detroit Free Press. The bank has not yet decided whether his absence.

#### DE FRANCE ON TRIAL.

He Is Positively Identified as Forrest-The Proceedings.

KALAMAZOO, March 10 .- The trial of Stonewall J. de France, the alleged a forged draft on the First national bank of Kalamazoo for \$12,500 on November 21, 1891. Officers from Chicago and St. Paul are laying for him in the event of his acquittal by proving an

On Friday President J. K. Wagner, A farm renter or a farm owner! Itrests with of the First national bank at the time of the forgery, identified De France as Louis Forrest, and recited the meetings which he had with Forrest. When he completed the deal to buy a farm he called with the draft for \$12,500, and secured \$5,000 and had the balance placed to his credit. Much time was taken in cross-examining S. B. Hammond regarding his alleged contract with Forrest to take a position under the Standard Oil company and playing To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly detective in trying to get evidence to have Forrest arrested while he was introducing him to his friends, including Banker Wagner.

KALAMAZOO, March II.—The feature of the half-day session in the trial of De France Saturday was the failure of the defense to get ex-President J. K. Wagner to swear that he made the acquaintance of a woman who, it is reported, was Mrs. de France while on a trip from New York in October, 1892. He identified De France and so did-Cashier F. W. Rowley.

# THE SCHEME IS FEASIBLE.

D. Farrand Henry Says the Proposed Detroit Canal Will Be Successful.

DETROIT, March 12.-D. Farrand Henry, the eminent civil engineer, has written a lengthy communication to the Engineering Record, in which he claims that the scheme for constructing a canal from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie, so as to avoid the windings of the Detroit river and dangers of the Lime Kiln crossing, is perfectly feasible. He states that a saving will be had of 70 miles in distance. The proposed canal will be but 14 miles long and 20 less than \$4,000,000. As the soil is of blue clay with no rock within 100 feet of the surface, the excavating would be comparatively easy. The company which is organized for the purpose comprises chiefly Canadian capital.

# L. A. W. Rebellion in Michigan.

DETROIT, March 10. - Secretary-Treasurer Noock, of the Michigan Division League of American Wheelmen, has announced that there will be no new election of state officers, as ordered by the national assembly at Louisville recently. The executive committee decided that the national assembly exceeded its authority in ordering another election. the result of the former election having been declared void on technicalities.

# Fire in Detroit.

DETROIT, March 9.-Fire broke out Thursday morning in a building on Cadillae square, the upper floors of which are occupied by about forty negro lodgers. It started in the secondstory hallway and is believed to have been set afire In the panic among the lodgers Thomas Settle sprang from a third-story window to the pavement. He was severely injured, but how badly is not yet known. The damage was light.

ITHACA, March 12. - Fire Sunday morning destroyed the stave and heading mill of C. W. Althouse, of this place. A high wind made it difficult to fight the flames. Fred Burss, one of the night watchmen, was badly burned about the head and face. The loss is about \$25,000, with an insurance of \$12,500. The mill will probably be re-

# Burned to Leath.

COLDWATER, March S.-N. S. Nixon, a Batavia township farmer, was cremated Wednesday morning in the ruins of his big grain barn. It was not until the building was nearly burned to the ground that Mr. Nixon was missed. Forty sheep, four horses and other stock were burned.

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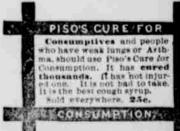
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